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Application No.: 10/064,766
Docket NO.:8043-US-PA

REMARKS

Present Status of the Application

It is noted with great appreciation that the Office Action considers claims 1-4 and 8-10 allowed. The Office Action, however, maintains its rejection to claims 5-7 as being anticipated by Wu (US 6,482,744).

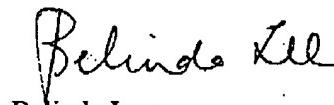
In response thereto, Applicants have cancelled claims 5-7, without disclaimer, prejudice or waiver. Upon entry of the amendments in this response, claims 1-4 and 8-10 remaining pending in the present application. Applicants have cancelled the aforementioned claims merely to reduce the number of disputed issues and facilitate early allowance and issuance of other claims in the present application. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the subject matter of the cancelled claims in a continuing application, if Applicant so choose.

In light of the foregoing amendments and for at least the reasons set forth hereinbefore, Applicant respectfully submits that all objections and/or rejections have been traversed, rendered moot, and/or accommodated, and that the now pending claims 1-4 and 8-10 are in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby courteously requested. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

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Respectfully submitted,

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